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The Honorable Joseph R. McCarthy Chairman, Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations United States Senate Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator McCarthy:

I have your letter of July 16, 1953 in which you submit the information you have received with regard to Mr. William P. Bundy and make certain inquiries about this information.

The record of previous clearance procedures and loyalty and security investigations in this case shows:

- (1) That in connection with his application for employment with this Agency in March 1951 Mr. Bundy disclosed that he had contributed a total of \$400 to the defense of Alger Hiss.
- (2) That the reasons, as given by Mr. Bundy, for this contribution are not in accord, in substantial respects, with those given in your letter. This record, together with your letter, will be submitted in connection with the re-evaluation of Mr. Bundy's case under the President's Executive Order 10450, pursuant to directive from the Civil Service Commission dated 9 July. I believe that further comment on this point should await this review, the outcome of which will be communicated to your Subcommittee, pursuant to our conversation of July 14.
- (3) That Mr. Bundy, in the summer of 1940 while working in the Library of Congress, joined the United Public Workers of America union, attended one meeting and resigned his membership at the end of a two month period. We understand that allegations concerning Communist influence in this union were made some six years after Mr. Bundy's resignation. The record does not indicate that Mr. Bundy has ever belonged to any other organization which might fall within the scope of your third question.

Our files further indicate that the three general allegations referred to above were subject to complete field investigation, personal interview and subsequent review and favorable determination by the CIA Loyalty Board and the Loyalty Review Board of the Civil Service Commission.

Ever since Mr. Bundy joined CIA in June, 1951 he has been attached to our Office of National Estimates and since June, 1952 he has been the assistant to this Agency's adviser on the Planning Board (formerly Senior Staff) of the National Security Council. There has been no change in Mr. Bundy's general assignment within the Agency since he joined it in 1951 and no change is contemplated.

Sincerely yours.

Allen W. Dulles Director